

SENATE BILL 76

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By: **Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Education)**

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Education – Disruptive Youth – Funding**

3 FOR the purpose of repealing a requirement that the State appropriate certain funds
4 to local education agencies for certain programs for disruptive youth; repealing
5 certain reporting requirements related to certain programs for disruptive youth;
6 and generally relating to programs for disruptive youth.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
8 Article – Education
9 Section 7–304
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (2008 Replacement Volume and 2009 Supplement)

12 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
13 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

14 **Article – Education**

15 7–304.

16 (a) The purpose of this section is to require each county board of education to
17 provide a continuum model of prevention and intervention activities and programs
18 that encourage and promote positive behavior and reduce disruption.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike-out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 (b) Each county board of education and the Board of School Commissioners
2 of Baltimore City shall establish special programs in the county and Baltimore City for
3 students in the public school system who exhibit disruptive classroom behavior.

4 (c) Two or more county boards may establish special programs for their joint
5 use.

6 [(d) The State shall appropriate an amount of money for allocation by the
7 State Department of Education to local education agencies for schools or clusters of
8 schools to support the development and expansion of special programs for disruptive
9 youth. Within the resources available, the State Superintendent shall award funds to
10 the local school systems which submit proposals pursuant to the criteria established in
11 subsection (e) of this section.

12 (e) Each local education agency that is applying for State support for special
13 programs for disruptive youth shall submit proposals for funding of programs to the
14 State Department of Education that include:

15 (1) An assessment of the number of students in each school in need of
16 special services;

17 (2) Specific plans with goals and measurable objectives for activities
18 and programs that provide a continuum model for the prevention and intervention of
19 disruptive student behaviors including but not limited to removal and re-entry
20 programs necessary for effective learning;

21 (3) Adherence to the State Board regulations on disciplinary policies
22 and programs and other guidelines established by the State Department of Education;

23 (4) A procedure involving the participation of administrators,
24 teachers, parents, students, and other members of the community; and

25 (5) In-service training and staff development for administrators,
26 teachers, and other school personnel.

27 (f) (1) At the end of each fiscal year, each participating local education
28 agency shall submit a written statement to the State Department of Education that
29 describes:

30 (i) The assessment, the educational problems determined, the
31 overall program developed with goals and procedures, and a yearly evaluation of the
32 success of the program as provided under the provisions of this section; and

33 (ii) Information regarding the number of students identified as
34 being habitually truant as provided under the provisions of § 7-302(c) of this subtitle.

1 (2) On or before December 1 of each year, the State Department of
2 Education shall submit a summary of the reports required under this subsection to the
3 Governor and, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the General
4 Assembly.]

5 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
6 July 1, 2010.

Approved:

Governor.

President of the Senate.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.